

**The Justice and Mental Health Program
Adult Subcommittee
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Mission Statement

To reduce the number of adults with serious mental illness who enter or re-enter the criminal justice system by increasing community-based treatment options and resources for consumers and their families, and to ensure that appropriate follow-up options are available and accessible.

Objectives

- Access to services
- Engage policy makers, law enforcement and court officials
- Identify target population to ensure continuity of care
- Examine current policies and ongoing initiatives for the target population
- Examine local mental health needs/resources
- Examine local law enforcement needs/resources
- Educate system stakeholders on availability and appropriate resources
- Improve training of staff in all systems, including the addition of cultural diversity training and mental health education